MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the member let me have an idea of the scheme, or at least let me know at what stage it is now?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The Administrative Board, Medical Services, has forwarded a resolution on the subject, and that is under the consideration of Government.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): How long has this matter been under the consideration of Government?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): For about six months.

Temperance Movement.

372. **MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Karunagapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representations from the people of Karunagapalli in respect of temperance propaganda; and

(*b*) if so, whether they have taken any move in the matter?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter was referred to the Excise Commissioner. He has reported that it is not safe to effect a reduction in the number of toddy and arrack shops in the Kulasekharapuram and Perinad pakuties of the Karunagapalli taluk, referred to in the representations, and that the allegation of the existence of illicit practices in these places made in the representations is without foundation. This report is under examination.

Acquisition of lands for the Y. W. C. A. Trivandrum.

373. **MR. A. C. KURIAKOSE** (*Minachil cum Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have acquired certain lands for the use of the Trivandrum Y. W. C. A.;

(*b*) whether the Y. W. C. A. is a public or a charitable institution;

(*c*) whether non-Christians can be members of the Y. W. C. A.;

(*d*) whether any Catholic is a member of any Y. W. C. A.;

(*e*) what Section of the Regulation or Rules gives the required authority to Government to acquire lands for institutions like the Y. W. C. A.; and

(*f*) the dates of the declaration of acquisition and of the opening of the Y. W. C. A.?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) No.

(*b*) The Y. W. C. A. is a philanthropic Society not conducted for gain.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes; though there is no Catholic member at present in the Trivandrum branch.

(*e*) Section 6 of Regulation XI of 1089.

(*f*) The date of declaration.. 19-11-1929

The date of opening of Y W. C. A. Hostel ... 8-12-1929.

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